

REMARKS

In the patent application, claims 31-51 are pending. In the office action, all pending claims are rejected.

Applicant has amended claims 31-35.

Claim 31 has been amended to include the limitation that the video data are acquired in a video decoder.

The support for the amendment can be found in Figure 5 and p.16, lines 23-25.

Claims 31, 37, 45 and 48 have been amended such that the first predicted video data is obtained based on motion information from a second bitstream and a previously construction part of the second bitstream.

The support for the amendment can be found in Figure 5, where it is shown that the first predicted video data (137') is obtained based on motion information (36') from a second bitstream (100') and a previously construction part (R_2) of the second bitstream.

Dependent claims 32-36, 38-44, 46, 47 and 49-51 have been amended to change the claim wording.

Applicant has also amended the specification to correct a typographical error on p.18 and p.19.

No new matter has been introduced.

At section 2 of the office action, claims 31-51 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement.

Applicant has amended claims 31, 37, 45 and 48 to include the limitation that the first predicted video data is obtained based on motion information from a second bitstream and a previously constructed part of the second bitstream. As shown in Figure 5, the first predicted

video data (137') is obtained based on motion information (36') from a second bitstream (100') and a previously constructed part (R₂) of the second bitstream.

Applicant respectfully requests that the 112 rejection be withdrawn.

At section 3, claims 31-36 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 as not falling within one of the four statutory categories of the invention.

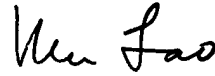
Applicant has amended claim 31 to specify that method is tied to a video decoder such that the video data are acquired in the video decoder. A video decoder is an apparatus.

Applicant respectfully requests that the 101 rejection be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

Claims 31-51 are allowable. Early allowance of all pending claims is earnestly solicited.

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